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Energy Department Awards West Valley Demonstration Project Interim End State Cleanup Contract to West Valley Environmental Services, LLC

CINCINNATI – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today awarded an Interim End State Completion contract to West Valley Environmental Services, LLC headquartered in Aiken, South Carolina to conduct the next phase of cleanup at the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) in the town of Ashford, New York. West Valley Environmental Services, LLC is a limited liability company comprised of Washington Group International, Inc; Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc; Environmental Chemical Corporation; and Parallax, Inc.

West Valley Environmental Services, LLC will provide waste disposition, decontamination, deactivation, and disposition of facilities, and infrastructure/landlord activities under this cost-plus-award fee contract. The estimated value of the contract is approximately \$159.3 million with a period of performance through June 30, 2011. The current contract with West Valley Nuclear Services Company (WVNSCO) will be extended to September 30, 2007 through the exercise of an existing contract option to permit an orderly transition to the new contractor.

The WVDP is a DOE managed, contractor-operated, environmental remediation project located on the site of the Western New York Nuclear Service Center, owned by the state of New York and administered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. Located on approximately 200 acres about 40 miles south of Buffalo, the WVDP occupies the site of the only commercial nuclear fuel reprocessing facility to have operated in the United States.

The “WVDP Interim End State” is an interim step for final decommissioning of the site consistent with the West Valley Demonstration Act (Public Law 96-368). DOE will proceed toward Interim End State completion by performing waste disposition, decontamination, deactivation, and disposition of facilities, and infrastructure/landlord

activities. To date, the Department has solidified over 600,000 gallons of high level waste into 275 canisters and shipped over 800,000 cubic feet of low level waste in accordance with the West Valley Demonstration Act of 1980.

Notice of contract award will be posted at <http://www.fedbizopps.gov> .

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